THE MINUTES OF THE HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

Tuesday, October 18, 2005

10:30 a.m.

Room 326 House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Government Operations was called to order by **Representative Leon Drolet**, Chair.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives Drolet, Hoogendyk, Gosselin, Garfield, Sheen, Tobocman, Lipsey and Lemmons, III.

MEMBERS ABSENT/EXCUSED: None.

Representative Gosselin moved to adopt the minutes of September 20 and October 12 meetings. The motion was supported by Representative Garfield. There being no objection, the motion carried by unanimous consent.

Chairman Drolet laid SCR 15 before the committee:

SCR 15 Sikkema

A concurrent resolution to reappoint Thomas H. McTavish, C.P.A., as Auditor General.

TESTIMONY

Thomas H. McTavish, C.P.A., of the Auditor General's Office. Questions and discussion followed.

Representative Garfield moved to report **SCR 15** with recommendation. The motion was supported by **Representative Gosselin**.

The motion prevailed by a vote of **8-0-0**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Drolet, Hoogendyk, Gosselin, Garfield, Sheen, Tobocman, Lipsey and Lemmons, III,

Nays: None, Pass: None.

Chairman Drolet laid SB 365 before the committee:

SB 365 Hardiman State; buildings; state treasury building; rename as Richard H.

Austin department of state building.

TESTIMONY

Alan Bolter, from Senator Hardiman's office, testified in support of the bill.

Chairman Drolet offered the following amendment to SB 365:

1. Amend page 1, line 6, after "AUSTIN" by striking out "DEPARTMENT OF STATE".

Representative Tobocman moved to adopt the amendment. The motion was supported by **Representative Lipsey**.

The motion prevailed by a vote of **8-0-0**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Drolet, Hoogendyk, Gosselin, Garfield, Sheen, Tobocman, Lipsey and Lemmons, III,

Nays: None, Pass: None.

Representative Hoogendyk moved to report **SB 365** with recommendation, as amended. The motion was supported by **Representative Tobocman**.

The motion prevailed by a vote of **8-0-0**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Drolet, Hoogendyk, Gosselin, Garfield, Sheen, Tobocman, Lipsey and Lemmons, III,

Nays: None, Pass: None.

Doug Novak, representing the Secretary of State, submitted a card in support of the bill and did not wish to speak.

Peggy Johnson, Legislative Liaison for the Department of Treasury, testified in opposition to the bill.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 11:06 a.m.

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